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META MATERIALS APPOINTS SEMICONDUCTOR VETERAN, JACK HARDING, AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HALIFAX, NS / ACCESSWIRE / August 17, 2022 / Meta Materials Inc. (the "Company" or "META®") (NASDAQ:MMAT), (FSE:MMAT), a developer of high-performance functional materials and nanocomposites, today announced the appointment of Mr. Jack Harding as Chair of the Board of Directors, effective August 16, 2022. Mr. Ram Ramkumar, META's current Chair, is retiring from the Board and moving into a Strategic Advisor role for a period of two years. The Company wishes to thank Mr. Ramkumar for his dedication during this transformative period which included among many milestones META's June 2021 listing on the NASDAQ via a reverse merger with Torchlight Energy Resources.

"Delivering innovation at scale is only achievable with the support and guidance of leaders who have successfully done it before," said George Palikaras President & CEO. "I am excited to have Jack Harding join us as Chair as we enter this new growth phase in our journey to become the world's leading metamaterials company. His wealth of experience in the semiconductor industry, and his knowledge of every facet of a high-tech business, will be

tremendously beneficial to us. On behalf of META's Board, it is my pleasure to welcome Jack, and we want to thank Ram for all his contributions and look forward to his continued support in his new advisory role."

Mr. Harding is currently the managing partner at Harding Partners LP, a business consultancy for public and private companies. He is a frequent international speaker on the topics of innovation, entrepreneurship and semiconductor trends and policies.

"I am honored to take on this role at such an exciting time in the company's development with so many opportunities before us. George has recruited a very talented team, including some of the top material scientists in the world. META has the potential to disrupt several markets with its technology and has a strong and expansive IP portfolio," said Jack Harding, META's new Chair of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Harding currently serves on the Board of Directors of Qorvo, Inc. (NASDAQ:QRVO). As former director at RF Micro Devices, he helped to engineer the merger with TriQuint Semiconductor to form Qorvo, which now enjoys a leadership position in high energy RF electronics and a \$11B market cap. Mr. Harding is highly connected in the technology ecosystem, having served on the board of the Global Semiconductor Alliance (GSA) for over 16 years. He was on the board of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (NASDAQ:AMD) as the company began its transformation into an industry leader.

Mr. Harding was the CEO and co-founder of eSilicon Corporation, an ASIC and IP supplier that was acquired by Inphi Corporation. Prior to co-founding eSilicon, he was the President and CEO of Cadence Design Systems (NASDAQ:CDNS). Mr. Harding entered Cadence upon the acquisition of Cooper & Chyan Technology (CCT), where he served as the President and CEO, and was responsible for leading the company to an IPO. Prior to CCT, Mr. Harding served as the

Executive Vice President of Zycad Corporation. Mr. Harding began his career with distinction at IBM.

Mr. Harding maintains a balanced career, providing his services to industry, academia, and government. He has held leadership roles at Drew University and Indiana University where he was Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees and a member of IU's premier School of Public and Environmental Affairs advisory board, respectively. In the public policy arena, Mr. Harding has served as a member of the prestigious Steering Committee at the U.S. Council on Competitiveness and was a former National Academies' Committee member for Software, Growth and the Future of the U.S. Economy.

About Meta Materials Inc.

META® delivers previously unachievable performance, across a range of applications, by inventing, designing, developing, and manufacturing sustainable, highly functional materials. Our extensive technology platform enables leading global brands to deliver breakthrough products to their customers in consumer electronics, 5G communications, health and wellness, aerospace, automotive, and clean energy. Our nano-optic technology provides anti-counterfeiting security features for government documents and currencies and authentication for brands. Our achievements have been widely recognized, including being named a Lux Research Innovator of the Year in 2021. Learn more at www.metamaterial.com.

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